OPINION 628

MENOPON NITZSCH, 1818 (INSECTA, MALLOPHAGA); ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL LIST

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers the generic name *Liotheum* Nitzsch, 1818, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The generic name *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818 (gender: neuter), type-species, by designation by Johnston & Harrison, 1911, *Pediculus gallinae* Linnaeus, 1758, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1474.

(3) The specific name *gallinae* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Pediculus gallinae*, and as defined by the neotype designated by Clay and Hopkins, 1950 (type-species of *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1808.

(4) The family-group name MENOPONIDAE Mjöberg, 1910 (type-genus *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818) (to be used in preference to TRINOTONIDAE Eichler, 1941, by those zoologists who consider that *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818, *Trinoton* Nitzsch, 1818, and *Eurem* Nitzsch, 1818, all belong to the same family-group taxon) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name No. 322.

(5) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *Liotheum* Nitzsch, 1818, as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above (Name No. 1542);

(b) *Menopum* Neumann, 1906, an incorrect spelling for *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818 (Name No. 1543);

(c) *Maenopon* Packard, 1873, an alleged but non-existent name (Name No. 1544);

(d) *Maenopon* Harrison, 1916, an incorrect spelling for *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818 (Name No. 1545).

(6) The family-group name LIOTHEIDAE Burmeister, 1838 (type-genus *Liotheum* Nitzsch, 1818) (invalid because the name of its type-genus is suppressed under the plenary powers) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name No. 354.

(7) The specific name *pallidum* Nitzsch, 1818, as published in the binomen *Liotheum pallidum* (a junior objective synonym of *Pediculus gallinae* Linnaeus, 1758) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name No. 697.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1399)

A preliminary statement on the present case was sent by Mr. G. H. E. Hopkins and Dr. Clay to the Office of the Commission in February 1959. A

final application was received on 26 February 1960 and was sent to the printer on 28 March 1960. It was published on 16 September 1960 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **17** : 334–336. Public Notice of the possible use by the Commission of its plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **4** : 51–56) and to seven entomological serials. Comments in support of the proposals were received from Dr. Per Brinck (Lunds Universitets Zoologiska Institution, Sweden) and Dr. K. C. Emerson (Arlington, Virginia, U.S.A.).

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 3 July 1961 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (61)18 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **17** : 335–336. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 3 October 1961 the state of the Voting was as follows :

Affirmative Votes—twenty-three (23), received in the following order : Boschma, Holthuis, Lemche, Munroe, Mayr, Vokes, Brinck, Obruchev, do Amaral, Key, Hering, Prantl, Hemming, Riley, Jaczewski, Uchida, Mertens, Tortonese, Kühnelt, Bonnet, Bradley, Alvarado, Poll.

Negative Votes—none (0).

On Leave of Absence—three (3) : Evans, Miller, Stoll.

Commissioner J. Chester Bradley in a note on his Voting Paper wrote (3.x.61) : " I wish to disassociate myself from the argument in paragraphs 2 and 3 on page 334 ".

Original References

The following are the original references for the names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion :

gallinae, *Pediculus*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) **1** : 613

LIOTHEIDAE Burmeister, 1838, *Handb. Ent.* **2**(2) : 436

Liotheum Nitzsch, 1818, *Mag. Ent.* (Germar) **3** : 296

Maenopon Harrison, 1916, *Parasitology* **9** : 22

Maenopon Packard, 1873 [*Rept. U.S. geol. Surv.* **6** : 731] an alleged but non-existent name

Menopon Nitzsch, 1818, *Mag. Ent.* (Germar) **3** : 299

MENOPONIDAE Mjöberg, 1910, *Ark. Zool.* **6**(13) : 26

Menopum Neumann, 1906, *Bull. zool. Soc. Fr.* **20** : 59

pallidum, *Liotheum*, Nitzsch, 1818, *Mag. Ent.* (Germar) **3** : 299

The following is the original reference for the designation of a type-species for a genus concerned in the present Ruling :

For *Menopon* Nitzsch, 1818 : Johnston & Harrison, 1911, *Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.W.* **36** : 327

The following is the original reference for the designation of a neotype for a nominal species concerned in the present Ruling :

For *Pediculus gallinae* Linnaeus 1758 : Clay & Hopkins, 1950, *Bull. Brit. Mus.* (*nat. Hist.*) *Ent.* **1** : 262, fig. 56

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (61)18 were cast as set out above, that the proposal set out in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 628.

N. D. RILEY
Secretary

W. E. CHINA
Assistant Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
24 *October* 1961

COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES FOR *CLATHURELLA* CARPENTER, 1857. Z.N.(S.) 518

(see volume 18, pages 270–272)

By Myra Keen (*Stanford University, Stanford, California, U.S.A.*)

I wish to support the petition by Dr. Joshua L. Baily, Jr. for the designation of the type-species of *Clathurella* Carpenter, 1857, as *Clavatula rava* Hinds, 1843. This seems to me to be in the interests of stability and in harmony with current usage.

However, the last two entries in the roster of names for which action is asked seem to me to be out of place; namely, paragraphs (4)(b) and (4)(c) under paragraph 10 of the petition. As Dr. Baily has assured me that it was not his intention when submitting the petition to include these matters, I would protest against them on two grounds: first, in the matter of *Pelagia*, it is not appropriate to include matters not directly within the scope of the petition itself; these homonyms occur in other phyla than the one under discussion and, besides, the law of homonymy already disposes of them without the machinery of official action needing to be invoked. Second, in the matter of *Philbertia*, the type-species of which is not discussed in the petition, an actual error of fact is involved in stating that it is a junior objective synonym; as a junior subjective synonym, it may later prove to be of use and should not summarily be suppressed.

Therefore, I would qualify my support of the petition only as to the points covered in parts (1) through (3) and (4)(a) in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* vol. **18**, pt. 4, pp. 270–272.